



10th June 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE – 10th June 2025

We hope you all are ready for what promises to be an exciting final term of the school year. We have lots of fantastic activities and events planned for the children over the coming weeks, including healthy week and sports days, visits, Year 6's final performance and our annual leavers' celebrations.

As we look forward to all these wonderful occasions, we would like to take a moment to remind everyone about parking arrangements during drop-off and collection times, which will be particularly important as we welcome additional visitors for our summer events. We understand that finding convenient parking can be challenging, especially during the current period. However, we must ask all parents and carers to be mindful of where they park their vehicles. The Levett Centre, located next to our school, has kindly asked us to remind our community that their grounds are private property and are not available for school parking. Please continue to use designated parking areas and be considerate of our neighbours and their facilities. We appreciate your co-operation in helping us maintain positive relationships with the local community while ensuring the safety of all our children.

KS2 Statutory Assessments and KS1 Assessments:

We would just like to say how very proud we were of each and every one of our children during the assessment period. They were **ALL** such superstars.

Year 1 Statutory Phonics Screen:

Pupils in Year 1 are undertaking their statutory phonics screen this week. We are so proud of how well their phonics have developed.

Year 4 Statutory Multiplication Tables Check:

The MTC tests for our Year 4 children started last week and will continue this week. Again, we are so proud of them mastering times tables along with the ICT skills needed to complete the test in a set amount of time.

SEND Transition Target Review:

Parents of children with a SEND Support Plan/EHCP will be contacted by their child's class teacher to arrange a meeting to take place during w/c 23rd June to review their child's targets and to set new ones to take them into their new year group or secondary school for Y6 pupils.



Class Photographs:

The School Photographer was in school last week to take class photographs. The link to order photographs will be emailed to parents as soon as we receive details from the photographer.

Lunch-time Provision - End of Term Pizza Party:

Doncaster Schools' Catering are changing the lunch-time menu when we will be holding a special 'End of Term Pizza Party' themed lunch on **Wednesday 16th July**. This will be a fun dining experience for **all** the children to enjoy, including Nursery who attend for lunch on Wednesdays; even if your child normally has a packed lunch you can choose to book them a meal for the one day only.

Pizza Party Menu
Margherita Pizza
Ham & Pineapple Pizza
French Fries
Homemade Crunchy Coleslaw
Baked Beans
Space Runner Ice Lolly
Alternative option of Jacket Potato is available

Doncaster Schools' Catering are expecting an increase in the number of children who normally have a packed lunch, but would like to join in the Pizza Party, so they have requested confirmation of expected numbers for ordering purposes.

If your child normally has school dinners all you have to do is complete your child's meal booking on ParentPay as usual for the full week w/c 14th July.

Unfortunately the system cannot be updated - it will still show Main Meal Option 1 'Beef Mince Yorkshire Pudding' and Meal Option 2 'Mac & Cheese' - so if you choose either option 1 or option 2 then the 'Pizza Party' will be provided. Alternatively, Meal Option 3 for Jacket Potato will still be available.

If your child normally has packed lunches and would like to join us on this one day only, then please complete the following two steps:

- 1. Complete the form via the following link by **8.30am on Monday 23rd June** so we can have an indication of increased numbers

<https://forms.office.com/e/vZ6D9BTW42>

- 2. Complete your child's meal booking via ParentPay as normal for the one day only.

Just to remind parents/carers that all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to universal free school meals, so you can book for them to enjoy the Pizza Party lunch experience without any extra cost.

Healthy Week for ALL pupils – Nursery/KS1/KS2 - w/c 16th June:

Pupils will be taking part in a whole week of sporting activities during healthy week. Mrs Scanlon our PE Lead and Mr Butler our Sports Instructor are busy organising a wide range of activities with different year groups participating in a number of sports including:- tennis, badminton, hockey, tag rugby, dance, yoga, bowling, team building, golf, skipping, throwing & catching, football, freestyle football*, rounders, cricket and basketball.



Throughout the week, the children will be working with staff as well as local sporting providers funded from the school's Sports Premium, to complete the activities. Due to outside agencies coming into school, activities will be taking place outside and although the weather is fine at the moment, we need to be prepared for any changes. Here is a checklist of what your child will need:-

- **Nursery Pupils** will be involved in some of the sporting activities and will need to come to school to **every session** they attend during this week, dressed in shorts, t-shirts, trainers (does not have to be school uniform PE kit for our nursery children). Plus a suitable top – school cardigan/jumper or tracksuit top/hoodie. Tracksuit bottoms/skins to wear on top of their shorts for their journey to and from school if they want.
- **Pupils in Reception to Year 6** - to come to school **every day** dressed in their usual outdoor PE kit – black shorts, white t-shirt and trainers. Plus a suitable top – school cardigan/jumper or tracksuit top/hoodie. Tracksuit bottoms/skins to wear on top of their shorts for their journey to and from school if they want.
- **All Pupils**
Water bottle;
Sun hat;
Raincoat (if applicable);
We also suggest once-a-day sun screen be applied before your child comes to school, although pupils can bring their own sun screen (labelled with their full name) and they will be supported in using it, but encouraged to apply it themselves when appropriate.

***Freestyle Football Year 2 to Year 6 only** on Tuesday 17th June – we are delighted to have secured Ash Randall who is a Professional Freestyle Footballer and Guinness World Record Holder for these sessions. There is an optional offer for pupils to purchase Ash's merchandise on the day £1 per item for either A3 Posters or Silicone Wristbands – with Ash donating 50% back to school funds. Pupils can bring cash on the day in a named envelope, if they are interested.

Sports Day Arrangements for KS1 and KS2 pupils - Thursday 19th June:

KS1 Y1 and Y2 10.00am-12.00 noon

KS2 Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 1.30pm-3.00pm

Parents/Carers/Grandparents are invited to come along to join us on the KS2 field.

In order for everyone to enjoy the event and for safeguarding purposes we ask that spectators remain in the seating area on the school field. Entry and exit will be via the Key Stage 2 gate which will be accessible 15 minutes prior to the start of the event and 5 minutes after the event has started. Toilet access for visitors will be via the Hillbillies entrance on the Key Stage 2 playground, which will be monitored by a staff member.

Sports Day arrangements for Reception and ALL Nursery children - Wednesday 25th June

10.00am-12.00 noon:

Parents/Carers/Grandparents are invited to come along to join us on the KS2 field. Entry and exit will be via the Key Stage 2 gate which will be accessible 15 minutes prior to the start of the event and 5 minutes after the event has started. In order for everyone to enjoy the event and for safeguarding purposes we ask that spectators remain in the seating area on the school field. Toilet access for visitors will be via the Hillbillies entrance on the Key Stage 2 playground, which will be monitored by a staff member.



RECEPTION children should arrive at their normal registration time already dressed in their PE Kit.

- Please remember a water bottle and sun hat;
- We also suggest once-a-day sun screen be applied before your child comes to school, although pupils can bring their own sun screen (labelled with their full name) and they will be supported in using it, but encouraged to apply it themselves when appropriate.

All NURSERY Children – the arrangements for Sports Day are as follows:-

- All nursery children should come to school already dressed in - shorts, t-shirts, trainers (does not have to be school uniform PE kit for our nursery children). Plus a suitable top – school cardigan/jumper or tracksuit top/hoodie. Tracksuit bottoms/skins to wear on top of their shorts for their journey to and from school if they want.
- Please remember a water bottle and sun hat;
- We also suggest once-a-day sun screen be applied before your child comes to school, although pupils can bring their own sun screen (labelled with their full name) and they will be supported in using it, but encouraged to apply it themselves when appropriate.

30 hours Nursery Children – if your child stays all day in nursery please take your child to Nursery for the start of their session for registration as normal at 8.35am. Lunch-time arrangements will remain the same before they spend their normal afternoon session in nursery.

Beginning of Week 15 hours Nursery Children should go to Nursery at their normal registration time at 8.35am. Following the end of sports day at about 12.00 noon parents will be able to collect their child from the nursery staff – please leave the field via the KS2 gate to make your way round to the nursery classroom door via the usual KS1 gate near the front of the school.

End of the Week 15 hours Nursery Children – should come to school for 8.35am and will also stay with us for lunch on this day before they spend their normal Wednesday afternoon session in nursery and finishing at 3.00pm as usual - please remember to book your child's extra lunch for that day on Parentpay if applicable.

Transition:

Transition will see the whole school (children new to Reception up to new Y6) spend some time with their new class teachers for September on Wednesday 9th July, Thursday 10th July and Friday 11th July. Children new to Nursery will also visit during the transition week. Further details about the arrangements will be available in the next Principal's Update.

Yours sincerely



Debbie Secker
Principal



PARENTS' DIARY DATES – JUNE-JULY 2025

DAY	DATE	EVENT
w/c Monday	9 th June	Y1 Phonics Screening Tests and Y2 Phonics re-tests
w/c Monday	9 th June	Y4 MTC Tests week 2/2
Thursday	12 th June	Y6 Walk to St. Mary's Church
w/c Monday	16 th June	Healthy Week
Tuesday	17 th June	Nursery Open Session for beg wk/30 hrs nursery/parents at 8.05am
Thursday	19 th June	Nursery Open Session for end wk/30 hrs nursery/parents at 8.05am
Thursday	19 th June	Sports Day KS1 (Y1 & Y2) 10.00am-12.00 noon KS2 (Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6) 1.30pm-3.00pm
Tuesday	24 th June	WMIM (With Me in Mind) Y6 Managing Transition to Secondary School
Wednesday	25 th June	Sports Day Reception and ALL Nursery 10.00am-12.00 noon
Wednesday	25 th June	Y6 End of Primary Performance in the Main School Hall – 2.00pm-3.30pm - parents/carers invited
Friday	27 th June	Richmond Hill's Got Talent
Friday	27 th June	Trust Choir – Parents' End of Year Choir Concert
Monday	30 th June	Opera North Wonderland Restored Performance Y4 selected pupils The Dome
Tuesday	1 st July	Reception Visit to Austerfield
Tuesday	1 st July	Y2 Visit to Whitby
Wednesday-Friday	2 nd -4 th July	Y6 Residential Visit
Thursday	3 rd July	Y4 Visit to Weston Park Museum
Monday	7 th July	Y1 History Van Visit in-to school
Monday	7 th July	Y6 RSE Session with School Nursing Team
Tuesday	8 th July	Y5 Visit to the Great Yorkshire Show
Tuesday-Thursday	8 th July-10 th July	Ridgewood School Transition Visits for new Y7 pupils
Wednesday-Friday	9 th -11 th July	Transition – pupils from current Nursery to current Y5 will spend time in their new classes for September
Tuesday	15 th July	Y6 Leavers' Disco 1.00pm-3.30pm
Wednesday	16 th July	Lunch-time provision 'End of Term Pizza Party' (please remember to complete your meal booking via ParentPay)
Thursday	17 th July	Y3 Visit to Murton Park
Friday	18 th July	School closes at 3.15pm for the summer holidays

September 2025:

Monday 1st September Training Day 1 School closed to pupils

Tuesday 2nd September School re-opens (staggered start dates for new Nursery and new Reception by-pass)